

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 14 with the following:

FIGURE 4A shows a block diagram of a specific embodiment of a SNAT Queue entry 400, which may be stored within the SNAT Queue 328 of FIGURE 3.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 15 with the following:

FIGURE 4B shows a block diagram of a NAT Table entry ~~452~~ 450 in accordance with a specific embodiment of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 10 with the following:

FIGURE 13A shows a specific embodiment of a flow diagram for a primary/active SNAT Message Process 1300 of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 12 with the following:

FIGURE 13B shows a specific embodiment of a flow diagram for a backup/standby SNAT Message Process 1350 of the present invention.